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PERSONAL DIGITAL ASSISTANT WITH MAP TO ADDRESS

BOOK/ADDRESS BOOK TO MAP FUNTIONALITY

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REPORTS

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Applicant has reviewed the Restriction Requirement mailed July 8, 2003. The Restriction Requirement stated:

This application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention: Figures 1a-c, Figure 9 and Figure 10 with any one of the sub species of Figures 2-8 and 11-26 that define a single operative device that is disclosed as usable together.

Applicant is required under 35 U.S.C. 121 to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if not generic claim is finally held to be allowable. Currently, no claims are generic.

Applicant's below-named representative requested and was granted a telephone interview with Examiner Camby on August 4, 2003 to request clarification of the Restriction Requirement. The Examiner clarified that species / sub species language is intended to require the Applicant to elect one of at least sixty-nine (69) patentably distinct species (FIGs. 1 and 2; FIGs. 1 and 3 . . . FIGs. 1 and 26; FIGs. 9 and 2; FIGs. 9 and 3 . . . FIGs. 9 and 26; FIGs. 10 and 2, FIGs. 10 and 3 . . . FIGs. 10 and 26).

Applicant provisionally elects, with traverse, the species of FIG. 1 and the subspecies of FIG. 7. FIGS. 1A-1C show front, side and top views of a PDA with an integrated GPS receiver, and FIG. 7 is a representation of a PDA architecture that includes PDA and GPS applications. Applicant respectfully submits that all of the claims read on the elected species / sub species. The methods recited in claims 1-13 are performed using the PDA, the PDA uses the computer-readable executable instructions recited in claims 14-22 and the data structure recited in claims

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23-27, and claims 28-38 recite a PDA.

Applicant respectfully traverses the assertion that no claims are generic to the identified species and sub-species, and further traverses the Restriction Requirement for the following reasons:

- The Restriction Requirement is unclear, and fails to mention the particular limitations in the claims and the reasons why such limitations are considered to restrict the claims to a particular disclosed species, as required by MPEP §814 under the subtitle SPECIES, and as required by MPEP §809.02(a).
- The claims are not mutually exclusive. MPEP §806.04(f) states that claims to be restricted to a different species must be mutually exclusive.
- The specification discloses a relationship between the species and sub-species (*i.e.* between the figures in the application).
- Applicant notes that the term "one embodiment" and variations thereof in the
 specification do not necessarily indicate an embodiment mutually exclusive of all
 other embodiments. Applicant respectfully asserts that the figures are not
 mutually exclusive, but can be combined as an embodiment.

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Applicant respectfully urges the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the Restriction Requirement in view of Applicant's argument. Applicant respectfully requests a favorable examination of the merits of this patent application. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney (612-373-6960) to facilitate prosecution of this application. Please charge any additional fees deemed necessary to Deposit Account 19-0743.

Respectfully submitted,

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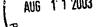
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